

## Math 105 HW 1

7.2.1 (v) Note that since volume is non-negative,  $m^*(\emptyset) \geq 0$ . Furthermore,  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , the box  $B = \prod_{i=1}^n (0, \frac{\epsilon^{1/n}}{2})$  has volume less than  $\epsilon$  and covers  $\emptyset$ , so  $m^*(\emptyset) < \epsilon$ . This shows that  $m^*(\emptyset) \leq 0$  so  $m^*(\emptyset) = 0$ .

(vi) Clearly  $m^*(\mathbb{R}) \leq +\infty$ . Since volume is non-negative,  $m^*(\mathbb{R}) \geq 0$ .

(vii) If  $A \subseteq B$ , any open covering of  $B$  also covers  $A$ , i.e.

$$\left\{ \sum_{j \in J} \text{vol}(B_j) : (B_j)_{j \in J} \text{ covers } B, J \text{ countable} \right\} \subseteq$$

$$\left\{ \sum_{j \in J} \text{vol}(B_j) : (B_j)_{j \in J} \text{ covers } A, J \text{ countable} \right\}$$

Thus, since  $S_1 \subseteq S_2 \subseteq \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \inf(S_1) \geq \inf(S_2)$ , as a lower bound on  $S_2$  is also a lower bound on  $S_1$ ,  $m^*(A) \leq m^*(B)$ .

(viii) Suppose  $|J| = n$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . For  $j \in J$  we may find a countable covering  $(B_i)_{i \in I_j}$  of  $A_j$   $\sum_{i \in I_j} \text{vol}(B_i) < m^*(A_j) + \frac{\epsilon}{n}$ . Then, since a countable union of countable sets is countable,  $(B_i)_{i \in I}$ , where  $I = \bigcup_{j \in J} I_j$  is a countable covering of  $\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$ , and  $\sum_{i \in I} \text{vol}(B_i) < \sum_{j \in J} m^*(A_j) + \epsilon$ . This shows that  $m^*(\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j) \leq \sum_{j \in J} m^*(A_j)$  as desired. (Note that if  $\sum_{j \in J} m^*(A_j) = +\infty$ , the

result follows from positivity.

(x) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $J$  is countable, we may number  $J = \{j_1, j_2, \dots\}$ . For  $j_m \in J$ , we may find a countable covering  $(B_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  of  $A_{j_m}$  such that  $\sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Vol}(B_i) < m^*(A_{j_m}) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^m}$ . Then, since a countable union of countable sets is countable,  $(B_i)_{i \in \mathbb{I}}$ , where  $\mathbb{I} = \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{N}$  is a countable covering of  $\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j$ . Furthermore, 
$$\sum_{i \in \mathbb{I}} \text{Vol}(B_i) < \sum_{j \in J} m^*(A_j) + \varepsilon \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{2^m} = \sum_{j \in J} m^*(A_j) + \varepsilon$$

so  $m^*\left(\bigcup_{j \in J} A_j\right) \leq \sum_{j \in J} m^*(A_j)$  as desired.

(xiii) Suppose  $(B_j)_{j \in J}$  is a countable covering of  $\Omega$ . Then,  $(x + B_j)_{j \in J}$  is a countable covering of  $x + \Omega$ , since for  $y \in \Omega$ ,  $y \in \prod_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i)$ ,  $y + x \in \prod_{i=1}^n (a_i + x_i, b_i + x_i)$ . Similarly, for  $(B_j)_{j \in J}$  a countable covering of  $x + \Omega$ ,  $(-x + B_j)_{j \in J}$  is a countable covering of  $\Omega$ . Thus, there is a bijection between countable coverings of  $\Omega$  and  $x + \Omega$ , since  $\sum_{j \in J} \text{Vol}(B_j) = \sum_{j \in J} \text{Vol}(x + B_j)$ . This implies that  $m^*(\Omega) = m^*(x + \Omega)$ .

7.2.2 First suppose  $0 < m^*(A) + m^*(B) < +\infty$ , let  $0 < \varepsilon < 2(m_n^*(A) + m_n^*(B))^2$ ,  $(B_i)_{i \in I}, (B_j)_{j \in J}$  countable covers of  $A, B$  respectively s.e.  $\sum_{i \in I} \text{vol}(B_i) < m_n^*(A) + \varepsilon', \sum_{j \in J} \text{vol}(B_j) < m_n^*(B) + \varepsilon'$  where we define  $\varepsilon' = \frac{\varepsilon}{2(m_n^*(A) + m_n^*(B))}$ . Then, consider the covering  $(B_{ij})_{i \in I, j \in J}$ , where  $B_{ij} = B_i \times B_j$  of  $A \times B$  (Note that  $B_i \times B_j$  is a box because if  $B_i = \prod_{k=1}^n (a_k^i, b_k^i)$ ,  $B_j = \prod_{k=1}^n (a_k^j, b_k^j)$ ,  $B_i \times B_j = \{ (x_i, x_j) \mid x_i \in B_i, x_j \in B_j \} = \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+m}, x_k \in (a_k^i, b_k^i) \forall 1 \leq k \leq n, y_k \in (a_k^j, b_k^j) \forall 1 \leq k \leq n \}$ , and  $(B_{ij})_{i \in I, j \in J}$  covers  $A \times B$  because for  $(a, b) \in A \times B$ ,  $a \in B_i, b \in B_j$  for some  $i \in I, j \in J$ ).

Now, note that  $\text{Vol}(B_{ij}) = \text{Vol}(B_i) \text{Vol}(B_j)$ , so  $\sum_{i \in I} \sum_{j \in J} \text{Vol}(B_{ij}) = \sum_{i \in I} \text{Vol}(B_i) \sum_{j \in J} \text{Vol}(B_j) < (m_n^*(A) + \varepsilon') (m_n^*(B) + \varepsilon') = m_n^*(A) m_n^*(B) + \varepsilon' (m_n^*(A) + m_n^*(B)) + (\varepsilon')^2 = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon'}{2(m_n^*(A) + m_n^*(B))} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon$ , since  $\varepsilon < 2(m_n^*(A) + m_n^*(B))^2$  implies  $\frac{\varepsilon'}{2(m_n^*(A) + m_n^*(B))} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . This shows that  $m_{n+m}^*(A \times B) \leq m_n^*(A) m_n^*(B)$ .

If  $m^*(A) + m^*(B) = 0$ ,  $m^*(A) = m^*(B) = 0$ , so we may pick  $\varepsilon' = \sqrt{\varepsilon}$  and repeat the same argument, with the last step becoming  $\sum_{i \in I} \sum_{j \in J} \text{Vol}(B_{ij}) < (m_n^*(A) + \varepsilon') (m_n^*(B) + \varepsilon') = (\varepsilon')^2 = \varepsilon$ .

If  $m^*(A) + m^*(B) = +\infty$ , either  $m^*(A) = +\infty$  or  $m^*(B) = +\infty$ , so  $m^*(A) m^*(B) = +\infty$ . The result follows from positivity.

7.2.3

a) Let  $E_1 = A_1$  and  $E_i = A_i \setminus A_{i-1}$  for  $i \geq 2$ . Note that by complementarity and the Boolean Algebra property,  $E_i = A_i \cap \mathbb{R}^n \setminus A_{i-1}$  is measurable. Furthermore,  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j$  and the  $E_j$  are disjoint. By countable additivity,  $m(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j) = m(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} m(E_j)$   
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n m(E_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(\bigcup_{j=1}^n E_j) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(A_j)$   
 as desired.

b) Let  $E_i = A_i \setminus A_i$  for  $i \geq 1$ . Then, note that  $\bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j = A_1 \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j$ , and  $E_i \subseteq E_{i+1}$  for each  $i$ . By a),  $m(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} m(E_j)$   
 $= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} m(A_1 \setminus A_j) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} (m(A_1) - m(A_j)) =$   
 $m(A_1) - \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} m(A_j)$ , since by countable additivity  $m(A_1) = m(A_1 \setminus A_j) + m(A_j)$ .  
 Similarly,  $m(\bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j) = m(A_1 \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j) =$   
 $m(A_1) - (m(A_1) - \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} m(A_j)) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} m(A_j)$   
 as desired.

7.2.4 Consider the  $q^n$  translates of  $(0, 1/q)^n$   $(0, 1/q)^n + \bar{x}$ ; where  $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $x_i = \frac{k}{q}$  for some  $k \in [0, q-1] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ . Note that these translates are disjoint and by translation invariance have measure  $m((0, 1/q)^n)$ . Furthermore, each translate is contained in  $(0, 1)^n$ . Let,  $A$ , denote the union of the translates. By countable additivity and monotonicity,

$$m(A) = q^n m((0, 1/q)^n) \leq m((0, 1)^n) \leq m([0, 1]^n) = 1$$

so  $m((0, 1/q)^n) \leq q^{-n}$ .

Similarly, consider the  $q^n$  translates of  $[0, 1/q]^n$   $[0, 1/q]^n + \bar{x}$ , where  $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $x_i = \frac{k}{q}$  for some  $k \in [0, q-1] \cap \mathbb{Z}$ . By translation invariance, these translates have measure  $m([0, 1/q]^n)$ . Note that their union is  $[0, 1]^n$ , so by countable sub-additivity,

$$1 = m([0, 1]^n) \leq q^n m([0, 1/q]^n)$$

so  $q^{-n} \leq m([0, 1/q]^n)$ .

Now, let  $\epsilon > 0$ . For each boundary piece

$$D_k = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid 0 \leq x_j \leq 1/q \forall j \neq i \text{ and } a_i \in [0, 1/q] \text{ constant}\}$$

We can cover using  $n$  the box

$$B_k = (a_i - \epsilon', a_i + \epsilon') \prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^n (-\epsilon', 1/q + \epsilon')$$

for any  $\epsilon' > 0$ . Note that  $\text{vol}(B_k) = 2\epsilon' (\frac{1}{q} + 2\epsilon')^{n-1}$   
 so  $\sum \text{vol}(B_k) = 4n \epsilon' (\frac{1}{q} + 2\epsilon')^{n-1}$ , as there are  $2n$  boundary pieces making up  $[0, 1/q]^n \setminus (0, 1/q)^n$ .

Thus since  $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} 4n \epsilon (\frac{1}{a} + 2\epsilon)^{n-1} = 0$ , we  
may pick  $\tilde{\epsilon} > 0$  s.t.  $4n \tilde{\epsilon} (\frac{1}{a} + 2\tilde{\epsilon})^{n-1} < \epsilon$ .  
We have therefore found a covering of  
 $[0, \frac{1}{a}]^n \setminus (0, \frac{1}{a})^n$  with total volume  $< \epsilon$ ,  
and thus  $m([0, \frac{1}{a}]^n \setminus (0, \frac{1}{a})^n) < \epsilon$ .  
Since  $\epsilon$  was arbitrary,  $m([0, \frac{1}{a}]^n \setminus (0, \frac{1}{a})^n) = 0$ .

Putting this all together, by additivity  
$$\begin{aligned} a^{-n} &\leq m([0, \frac{1}{a}]^n) \\ &= m([0, \frac{1}{a}]^n \setminus (0, \frac{1}{a})^n) + m((0, \frac{1}{a})^n) \\ &= m((0, \frac{1}{a})^n) \\ &\leq a^{-n} \end{aligned}$$

So  $m([0, \frac{1}{a}]^n) = m((0, \frac{1}{a})^n) = a^{-n}$ .

7.4.1 Let  $A = (a, b)$ . We have  $m^*(A) = b - a$ .

If  $(a, b) \subseteq (0, \infty)$ ,

$$m^*(A \cap (0, \infty)) + m^*(A \setminus (0, \infty)) =$$

$$m^*(A) + m^*(\emptyset) = m^*(A)$$

If  $(a, b) \subseteq (-\infty, 0]$ ;  $A \setminus (0, \infty) = \emptyset$ , so

$$m^*(A \cap (0, \infty)) + m^*(A \setminus (0, \infty)) =$$

$$m^*(\emptyset) + m^*(A) = m^*(A)$$

If  $0 \in (a, b)$ ,

$$m^*(A \cap (0, \infty)) + m^*(A \setminus (0, \infty)) =$$

$$m^*(A \cap (0, \infty)) + m^*(A \cap (-\infty, 0]) = \dots \text{Note}$$

$$b + (0 - a) = b - a = m^*(A)$$

Since all cases are covered we are done.

7.4.2 If  $A \cap E = A$  and  $A \setminus E = \emptyset$  or  $A \cap E = \emptyset$  and  $A \setminus E = A$ , then

$$m^*(A) = m^*(A) + m^*(\emptyset)$$

and we are done.

Otherwise, note that if  $A = \prod_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i)$ ,  
 $A \cap E = \prod_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i) \cdot (0, b_n)$  and  $A \setminus E = \prod_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i) \cdot (a_n, 0]$   
which are both boxes, so we can compute the  
measure directly to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \setminus E) &= \\ b_n \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_i - a_i) - a_n \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_i - a_i) &= \\ \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (b_i - a_i) &= m^*(A) \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

7.4.3

Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . We may find a countable covering  $(B_j)_{j \in \mathbb{J}}$  s.t.  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{J}} \text{Vol}(B_j) < m^*(A) + \epsilon$ . For each  $j \in \mathbb{J}$ , note by 7.4.2

$$m^*(B_j) = m^*(B_j \cap E) + m^*(B_j \setminus E)$$

Since  $A \cap E \subseteq \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{J}} (B_j \cap E)$ , by monotonicity + subadditivity

$$m^*(A \cap E) \leq m^*\left(\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{J}} (B_j \cap E)\right) \leq \sum_{j \in \mathbb{J}} m^*(B_j \cap E)$$

Similarly, since  $A \setminus E \subseteq \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{J}} B_j \setminus E$ ,

$$m^*(A \setminus E) \leq m^*\left(\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{J}} B_j \setminus E\right) \leq \sum_{j \in \mathbb{J}} m^*(B_j \setminus E)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \setminus E) &\leq \sum_{j \in \mathbb{J}} [m^*(B_j \cap E) + m^*(B_j \setminus E)] \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{J}} m^*(B_j) \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{J}} \text{Vol}(B_j) \\ &< m^*(A) + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

So  $m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \setminus E) \leq m^*(A)$ .

For the reverse inequality, note that  $A = (A \cap E) \cup (A \setminus E)$ , so the result follows from sub-additivity.

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a) Note that for  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$m^*(A \cap E^c) + m^*(A \setminus E^c) =$$

$$m^*(A \setminus E) + m^*(A \cap E) =$$

$$m^*(A)$$

by measurability of  $E$ .

b) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . By measurability of  $E$ ,

$$m^*(A-x) = m^*((A-x) \cap E) + m^*((A-x) \setminus E)$$

$$= m^*(A \cap (x+E)) + m^*(A \setminus (x+E))$$

but since  $m^*(A-x) = m^*(A)$  by translation invariance, this shows  $x+E$  is measurable.

$m(x+E) = m(E)$  follows directly from translation invariance of  $m^*$ .

c) Define

$$A_{++} = A \cap E_1 \cap E_2 \quad A_{+-} = A \cap E_1 \cap E_2^c$$

$$A_{-+} = A \cap E_1^c \cap E_2 \quad A_{--} = A \cap E_1^c \cap E_2^c$$

Note that  $A = A_{++} \cup A_{+-} \cup A_{-+} \cup A_{--}$

Since  $E_1$  is measurable,

$$m^*(A) = m^*(A \cap E_1) + m^*(A \setminus E_1)$$

$$= m^*(A_{++} \cup A_{+-}) + m^*(A_{-+} \cup A_{--})$$

Since  $E_2$  is measurable,

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^*(A_{++} \cup A_{+-}) &= m^*((A_{++} \cup A_{+-}) \cap E_2) + m^*((A_{++} \cup A_{+-}) \setminus E_2) \\
 &= m^*(A_{++}) + m^*(A_{+-})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^*(A_{-+} \cup A_{--}) &= m^*((A_{-+} \cup A_{--}) \cap E_2) + m^*((A_{-+} \cup A_{--}) \setminus E_2) \\
 &= m^*(A_{-+}) + m^*(A_{--})
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$m^*(A) = m^*(A_{++}) + m^*(A_{+-}) + m^*(A_{-+}) + m^*(A_{--})$$

Furthermore, note that by similar logic, (letting  $A' = A_{+-} \cup A_{-+} \cup A_{--}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^*(A') &= m^*(A' \cap E_1) + m^*(A' \setminus E_1) \\
 &= m^*(A_{+-}) + m^*(A_{-+} \cup A_{--}) \\
 &= m^*(A_{+-} \cap E_2) + m^*(A_{+-} \setminus E_2) + m^*((A_{-+} \cup A_{--}) \cap E_2) \\
 &\quad + m^*((A_{-+} \cup A_{--}) \setminus E_2) \\
 &= m^*(A_{+-}) + m^*(\emptyset) + m^*(A_{--}) + m^*(A_{-+}) \\
 &= m^*(A_{+-}) + m^*(A_{-+}) + m^*(A_{--})
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A' = A \setminus (E_1 \cap E_2)$  and  $A_{++} = A \cap (E_1 \cap E_2)$ , this shows  $m^*(A) = m^*(A \cap (E_1 \cap E_2)) + m^*(A \setminus (E_1 \cap E_2))$ .

For the union, note that

$$A \cap (E_1 \cup E_2) = A_{++} \cup A_{+-} \cup A_{-+}$$

$$A \setminus (E_1 \cup E_2) = A_{--}$$

By the same logic as before, (letting

$$\tilde{A} = A_{++} \cup A_{+-} \cup A_{-+},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^*(\tilde{A}) &= m^*(\tilde{A} \cap E_1) + m^*(\tilde{A} \setminus E_1) \\
 &= m^*(A_{++} \cup A_{+-}) + m^*(A_{-+}) \\
 &= m^*((A_{++} \cup A_{+-}) \cap E_2) + m^*((A_{++} \cup A_{+-}) \setminus E_2) + m^*(A_{-+})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= m^*(A_{+-}) + m^*(A_{++}) + m^*(A_{-+})$$

so using the previously derived equality,  
 $m^*(A) = m^*(A_{--}) + m^*(A^c)$

as desired.

d) We show this by induction. For the base case  $N=2$ , this was proven in c).

Now, suppose the result holds for  $n$ .

For the  $n+1$  case, we can write

$$U_{j=1}^{n+1} = (U_{j=1}^n E_j) \cup E_{n+1}$$

$$A_{j=1}^{n+1} = (A_{j=1}^n E_j) \cap E_{n+1}$$

By the induction hypothesis,  $(U_{j=1}^n E_j)$  and  $(A_{j=1}^n E_j)$  are measurable, so applying part c) yields the result.

e) Consider the box  $B = \prod_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i)$  (parentheses not necessarily all open). Note that we can write  $B = \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^n B_j$ , where

$$A_i = \{ \bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_i > a_i \}$$

$$B_j = \{ \bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_j < b_j \}$$

(the  $<$  or  $>$  may be  $\leq$  or  $\geq$  as needed).  
 Note that the  $A_i, B_j$  are translates of

half-spaces or their complements, so the result follows from a), b), d).

f) Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . By monotonicity,  
 $m^*(A \cap E) \leq m^*(E) = 0$

So  $m^*(A \cap E) = 0$ .

Also by monotonicity,  
 $m^*(A \cap E) \leq m^*(A)$

So  $m^*(A) \geq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c)$

By subadditivity, since  $(A \cap E) \cup (A \cap E^c) = A$   
 $m^*(A) \leq m^*(A \cap E) + m^*(A \cap E^c)$

Showing the desired.